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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re U.S. Patent Application of:

Applicant(s): Jon Freas  
(now Applicants Jon Freas  
and Luther Langley)

Serial No.: 10/614,658

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July 1, 2004

Date

*Arik B. Ranson*  
Attorney for Applicant  
Registration No. 43,874

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find:

1. Petition for Correction of Inventorship (in duplicate) with a check for \$130.00.
2. Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Jon Freas and Luther Langley.
3. Statement by Luther Langley as to Lack of Deceptive Intent.
4. Statement of Consent to Correction of Inventorship.
5. Assignment of the invention to WAHL CLIPPER CORPORATION.
6. Assignment form cover sheet (in duplicate) with a check for \$40.00.
7. If a publication fee is due and is not enclosed, or is enclosed in an improper amount, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the publication fee (or any deficiency in such fee) to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.
8. The Commissioner is authorized by the undersigned to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this page is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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**PETITION FOR CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a)(1)**

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Dear Sir:

This is a Petition to amend the above-identified application to add the following inventor: Luther Langley. The filed Declaration for the above-identified application, executed by Jon Freas, incorrectly omits Luther Langley as an inventor. During a later review of the application the error in naming of inventorship was detected. This Petition is accompanied by a Declaration signed by all of the correctly-named inventors and

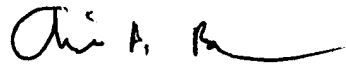
the required Petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i). The Petition is also accompanied by a Statement from the newly-declared inventor affirming that the error occurred without deceptive intent, a written consent of the assignee, Wahl Clipper Corporation, and an Assignment by the now-declared inventors to Wahl Clipper Corporation.

As all of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a) are believed to have been met, Applicants respectfully request the inventorship change setting forth Jon Freas and Luther Langley as the inventors of the above-identified application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, and to credit any refunds, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

GREER, BURNS & CRAIN, LTD.

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### DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name:

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

### **INTERLOCKING CHARGING STANDS**

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

☒ was filed on July 7, 2003  
as United States Application Number or  
PCT International Application Number 10/614,658  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable).

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 (a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

#### **Prior Foreign Application(s)**

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

#### **United States Provisional Application(s)**

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(Appl. No.)

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(Filing Date)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s), or 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of application.

**United States Application(s)**

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

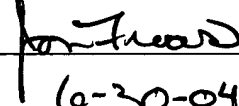
I hereby appoint the attorneys/agents listed under Customer No. 24978, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and request that all correspondence and telephone calls in respect to this application be directed to Patrick G. Burns, GREER, BURNS & CRAIN, LTD., Suite 2500, 300 South Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606, Telephone No. (312) 360-0080.

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Jon Freas

Inventor's signature:



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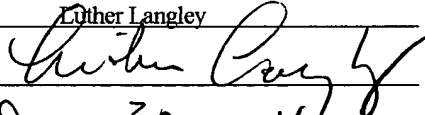
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Full name of additional  
joint inventor, if any:

Luther Langley

Inventor's signature:



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**STATEMENT BY LUTHER LANGLEY AS TO LACK  
OF DECEPTIVE INTENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a)(2)**

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Dear Sir:

I, Luther Langley, do hereby state that the inventorship error incorrectly  
omitting Luther Langley as an inventor of the above-identified application occurred without  
deceptive intention on my part.

Date:

*June 30, 2004*

*Luther Langley*  
Luther Langley



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**STATEMENT OF CONSENT TO CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.48(a)(5)**

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Dear Sir:

The owner, Wahl Clipper Corporation, of 100% of the above-identified application by Assignment from Jon Freas to Wahl Clipper Corporation recorded at Reel 014771/Frame 0860, hereby consents to the correction of inventorship filed herewith adding Luther Langley as a joint inventor of the above-identified application. A copy of the executed Assignment from Jon Freas to Wahl Clipper Corporation is attached.

The undersigned hereby states that he/she has authority to act on behalf of the

Assignee.

WAHL CLIPPER CORPORATION

Date: 30 June 2004

Gregory S. Wahl  
Name: GREGORY S. WAHL  
Title: PRESIDENT